



## **CATHEDRAL CALLING**

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**In-person services at the Cathedral are suspended but are LIVEstreamed on Facebook:**

**<https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsAnglicanCathedralRegina>**

***10:30 a.m. on Sundays – from the Book of Alternative Services***

### ***From the Deacon***



We are getting accustomed to online worship at St. Paul's Cathedral. It's no substitute, of course, for "real" in-person services, and the lack of eucharistic celebrations in community is deeply felt. But there is a positive dimension: we are reaching out through live-streaming technology to many, many people who normally would not or could not attend our services. Dean Mike says we have hundreds of "hits," from as far away as California and New Zealand!

There are opportunities here for outreach, evangelism, and expanding the scope of our community (see the article in this issue by parishioner Monique Goffinet Miller). It is likely that the Cathedral, like other churches, will continue broadcasting services even after in-person worship resumes. So our fellowship now includes spiritually those who cannot be with us physically – which, after all, is an ancient practice of the Christian Church.

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***Canon Michael Jackson***

### ***Vestry Highlights***

***by Dave Hedlund, Vestry Chair***

Dean Mike is in discussion with Bishop Rob about when in-person services may resume. Under the current restrictions, small celebratory gatherings have been permitted and four funerals were held at St. Paul's in the month of February.

Some of the Cathedral's stained-glass windows are in need of repair. The Building Committee is investigating the options with an expert in heritage building restoration and repair. We await one back-ordered part for the live-streaming package that has been ordered. We are anxious to get the new system installed and ensure that high quality broadcasts are possible in the future.

The Communications and Welcoming Committee reported that some of the articles that have appeared in *Cathedral Calling* will appear in future issues of *Saskatchewan Anglican*. *Cathedral Calling* is now on a monthly publication schedule. The Stewardship Committee made a presentation at the February 14 virtual service. Church members will get a written summary of committee chair Doug Turnbull's comments.



## Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting for St. Paul's Cathedral takes place on **Sunday, February 28, at 12:00 noon**, by Zoom video conference call.

In order to ensure a quorum and to help us prepare for the meeting, **we ask that you let the office know if you plan to attend the meeting, how many church members will be on the call, and if you plan to use Zoom or your phone.** Register by calling or emailing **Elvira at the office (306) 522-6439** or [office@stpaulsregina.ca](mailto:office@stpaulsregina.ca)

*If you're uncertain about how to get set up for a Zoom meeting, please contact Dave Hedlund: phone or text: 306 501 4555 or email: [davehedlund@sasktel.net](mailto:davehedlund@sasktel.net).*

## News of the Diocese

### *Bishop Hardwick to Retire*

The Right Reverend **Robert Hardwick**, Bishop of Qu'Appelle since 2013, has announced his retirement effective July 2021. He and his wife Lorraine will be moving back to the United Kingdom. The Diocesan Council – governing body of the diocese between triennial synods – is planning the electoral synod for the choice of a new bishop in November. During the interim, the Dean of the diocese, the Very Reverend **Mike Sinclair**, acts as Administrator.



## News of the Archdeaconry

### *Report from Immanuel Parish by Deacon Canon Susan Page*

The Parish Council of Immanuel Anglican Church continues to move forward with a number of initiatives. The proposed Mission Action Plan was approved and will become a priority for the new parish vestry in planning for the next three years. Four of the five former parishes have held disestablishment meetings, with the final one scheduled for February 21. The inaugural annual general meeting for Immanuel will be held on March 14 via Zoom. The usual elections for wardens, vestry members, and synod delegates will be held, but there is still ongoing discussion about the size of the new vestry. The intention is to ensure that all of the former parishes are represented on the vestry. A nominating committee has been struck to facilitate this process.

A realtor has been selected for selling some of the existing properties. After the annual general meeting the Facilities Committee will make recommendations as to which buildings will be marketed for sale. This will be a very difficult time for many in the new parish. We continue to recognize joys and sorrows associated with our coming together. Please continue to pray for us as we make decisions and truly come together as a new parish in Regina.



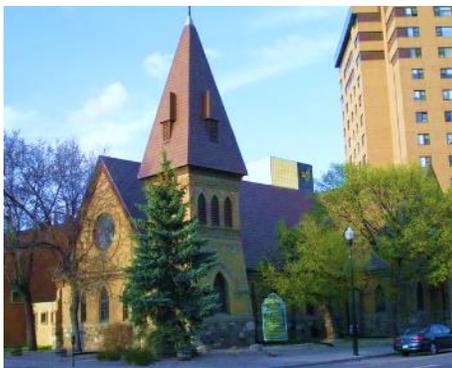
### *May they rest in peace...*

We celebrated the lives of **Klaus Burmeister, Kathy Cameron, Betty Inns, and Jacqueline Shumiatcher** in funerals at the Cathedral during February.

## How St. Paul's became the Cathedral of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle

*In the first issue of the renamed Cathedral Calling (3 October 2020), we looked at the vocation and role of a "cathedral" in the Anglican tradition. St. Paul's is the oldest Anglican parish in Regina (and the oldest place of worship in the city), but it has not always been the cathedral. We asked diocesan archivist and cathedral historian Canon Trevor Powell to explain how this came about.*

In 1884, St. Paul's parish in Regina, the only one in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle with a resident priest, worshipped in a small framed church. The newly-consecrated bishop, Adelbert Anson, wanted the congregation to replace this temporary building with a permanent structure designed to meet the spiritual needs of the community and to be the "pro-cathedral" (temporary or acting cathedral) of his new diocese. Anson's vision, however, was not shared by St. Paul's of that day. Inward rather than outward looking, its members could not step back and see the larger picture. A small but vocal element within the congregation was not prepared to accept the ceremonial and ornaments that accompanied the sacramental worship expected in a pro-cathedral. The controversy caused Bishop Anson to look to the growing Anglican community at Qu'Appelle, 57 km. to the east of Regina. The congregation there agreed to implement his vision and in 1886 Bishop Anson declared St. Peter's Church in Qu'Appelle pro-cathedral of the diocese. This arrangement continued into the first decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, as Anson's immediate successors, Bishops Burn and Grisdale, lived in nearby Indian Head. Diocesan events such as synods and ordinations were usually held at St. Peter's Pro-Cathedral.



In 1911, Malcolm Harding became Bishop of Qu'Appelle. He resided in Regina and was of the view that the cathedral of the diocese should be located in the provincial capital. Harding envisioned a substantial cathedral building as the centerpiece of the property purchased by the diocese along College Avenue. Such plans had to be put aside with the outbreak of war in 1914. During the early 1920s, while maintaining St. Peter's in Qu'Appelle as the nominal pro-cathedral, Harding moved his pastoral staff to St. Chad's College Chapel on the College Avenue property. The strong economic revival of the 1920s gave hope to Harding that the new cathedral would be built on the property, but the depression and drought of the next decade brought his dream to an end.

It was left to Harding's successor, Bishop Edwin Knowles, to move the pro-cathedral from Qu'Appelle to Regina. In 1944, after lengthy discussions with the rector and wardens, Knowles declared St. Paul's to be the pro-cathedral. This achievement was not without its detractors, who objected to the use of candles on the altar! Most, however, were justly proud of the new status and agreed to take on the responsibilities that came with it.

By the 1960s, with the growth of suburbia, questions were raised about the need to maintain an Anglican presence in Regina's city core. Both the diocese and the pro-cathedral believed there was such a need. In 1973, St. Paul's was granted full cathedral status by Archbishop Frederic Jackson. Along with the change in status came new direction and responsibility: a leadership role in the deanery and the diocese, the downtown area and the wider community in terms of liturgy and worship, prayer and teaching, mission and ministry. Thus St. Paul's Cathedral finally took on a role similar to that espoused by the first Bishop of Qu'Appelle soon after his arrival in Regina almost 90 years earlier.

## News of Servers and Sub-Deacons

Our young servers and teen-age sub-deacons make a big difference to worship at the Cathedral. We miss their spark and enthusiasm! Cathedral Calling asked some of them how they were getting on in the COVID world.



**Claire Henneberg** tells us “I am very happy to be able to continue my grade 12 year in person at Winston Knoll Collegiate. When I’m not working on school, I try to go out to Mission Ridge with my family for snowboarding (when it isn’t -30°). I am hoping to be able to have grad in the spring, and hopefully return to serving at St. Paul’s very soon!”

**Zachariah Chase** is enjoying school and being able to see his friends in person once again. He has started virtual drama classes for teens with the Globe Theatre. Zachariah keeps busy practising piano and tuba – and shovelling snow!



## There is Always a Place for You in My Virtual Pew by Monique Goffinet Miller



Screen shot of the Ash Wednesday service, with Dean Mike Sinclair presiding and Deacon Michael Jackson assisting.

Logging onto the Facebook Live events each Sunday has been a saving grace for me. What once was an empty pew beside me is now 50+ virtual friends packed into my living room. By sharing this virtual log-on through my social media accounts, friends from afar, from my past, and from my church community take me up on the offer to “Join me this morning for church service and community. I have saved a spot on my pew for you!”

In one instance I had a dozen random friends log in and join in worship. After the service was over, one participant reached out to me through a video chat and said it was the first time they had been to church in years. Moreover, they mentioned how much they needed worship right now. Members of our congregation are now my Facebook friends and, as such, are a part of my daily check-ins to see how they are doing. I see their words of encouragement on my posts and I have grown to know them for their interests, families and challenges. In some ways, I feel closer now to our parish than ever before.

Don’t get me wrong: I look forward to a day when we return face-to-face. I think I will cry through saying the words “Peace be with you” when we get to shake hands. However, until then I look forward to saving you a spot beside me in my virtual pew.

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